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U.S. Keeps Funding Tie to RFE

· Associated Press

The Nixon administration ruled yesterday that Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty "are not educational or private voluntary organizations" and an established policy of denying CIA financing to them therefore does not apply.

At the same time the administration—through a State Department spokesman—affirmed its intention to continue the policy that was worked out under the leadership of Nicholas Dell. Katzenbach, then Under Secretary of State, after a national blowup over CIA financial payments to student organizations and other groups.

Sen. Clifford P. Case (R-N.J.), said Saturday that Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, which beam programs into Communist Eastern Europe, had spent \$34 million in 1969 and that more than \$30 million of that had come from the Central Intelligence Agen-

cy. Case called for an end to the secret subsidy and for direct, open financing of the stations through congressional action.

State Department press officer Robert J. McCloskey said the Katzenbach policy covers "the whole question of funding for domestic educational and private voluntary organizations."

As to how the stations have actually been funded or what their money supply might be in the future, McCloskey said "No comment."



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S. 11, S. 12, S. 13, S. 14, S. 15, AND S. 16—INTRODUCTION OF BILLS REPRESENTING A CONTINUATION OF MATTERS CONSIDERED BY THE SPECIAL SUBCOMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL LAWS AND PROCE-DURES DURING THE 91ST CON-GRESS

Mr. McCLELLAN. Mr. President, I introduce several items of legislation. Each represents a continuation of matters considered by the Special Subcommittee on Criminal Laws and Procedures during the 91st Congress. They are as follows:

. First. S. 13, the Physical Evidence Act of 1971, which provides for the issuance of suppenss for the limited detention of specified individuals for obtaining evidence of identifying physical characteristics in the course of certain criminal

investigations, and for other purposes;
Second. S. 11 and, third, S. 12, alternative versions of the Wagering Tax Act Amendments of 1971, which would amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to medify the provisions relating to taxes on wagering, to insure the constitutional rights of taxpayers, to facilitate the collection of such taxes, and for other such purposes;

Fourth. S. 14, the Student Disturbe ances Act of 1971, which would prohibit the disruption of federally assisted institutions of higher education, to provide for the enforcement of such prohibition,

and for other purposes; Fifth, S. 15, to amend title XII of the Organized Crime Control Act of 1970, to empower the Commission on Judividual Rights to consider individual security, and for other purposes;

Sixth. S. 16, which would amend title IX of the Organized Crime Control Act of 1970, to provide for injunctive and other civil relief for those victimized by

organized crime, and for other purposes. Mr. President, each of these items of legislation is introduced as a study bill. I am not committed to their enactment in their present form or indeed to their enactment at all. I do expect, however, in the coming months of this Congress that the subcommittee will hold hearings on these and related matters. I shall also, at a later time, address the Senate scparately on each of these items of legislation.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The bills will be received and appropriately referred.

The bills:

S. 11. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to modify the provisions relating to taxes on wagering to insure the constitutional rights of taxpayers, to facilitate the collection of such taxes, and for other purposes;

S. 12. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to modify the provisions relating to taxes on wagering to insure the constitutional rights of taxpayers, to facilitate the collection of such taxes, and for other

S. 13. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide for the issuance of subpenss for the limited detention of particularly described or identified individuals for obtaining evidence of identifying physical characteristics in the course of certain criminal investigations, and for other purposes;

S. 14. A bill to prohibit the disruption of federally assisted institutions of higher edu- with Internal Revenue-form 990-A- to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

cation, to provide for the enforcement of such prohibition, and for other purposes;

S. 15. A bill to amend title XII of the Orcanized Crime Control Act of 1970, and for

other purposes; and S. 16. A bill to amend title IX of the Organized Crime Control Act of 1970 to provide civil remedies to victims of activities prohibited by said title, and for other purposes, introduced by Mr. McClellan, for himself and Mr. Hauska, were read twice by their titles and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ORDER FOR REFERRAL OF S. 11 and. S. 12 TO THE COMMITTEE ON FI-NANCE FOLLOWING THEIR PRES-ENT REFERENCE

Mr. McCLELLAN subsequently said: Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when two bills which I introduced. this morning, which are now at the desk, numbered tentatively, I believe, S. 11 and S. 12, shall have been considered and reported by the Committee on the Judiciary, to which I am advised they are now being referred, they be thereafter referred to and considered by the Committee on Finance.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

S. 18-INTRODUCTION OF A BILL TO BRING RADIO FREE EUROPE AND RADIO LIBERTY UNDER CON-GRESSIONAL SCRUTINY

Mr. CASE, Mr. President, I introduce a bill to bring Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty under the authorization. and appropriation process of the Con-

During the last 20 years, several hundred million dollars in U.S. Government funds have been expended from secret/ CIA budgets to pay almost totally for the costs of these two radio stations broadcasting to Eastern Europe. In the last fiscal year alone, over \$30 million was provided by CIA as a direct Government subsidy; yet at no time was Congress asked or permitted to carry out its traditional constitutional role of approving the expenditure.

My bill would amend the U.S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1943 to authorize funds to Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty in fiscal 1972. It would also provide that no other U.S. Government funds could be made available to either radio station, except under the provisions of the Information and Educational Exchange Act.

I plan to ask that those administration officials concerned with overseas information policies be called to testify before Congress on the financial needs of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Without committing myself to a particular level of funding, my proposal tentatively calls for an authorization of \$30 million. This figure would, of course, be subject to change as more information becomes available.

Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. both claim to be nongovernmental organizations sponsored by private contributions, but available sources indicate direct CIA subsidies pay nearly all their costs. According to returns filed, mittee on Foreign Relations and ordered

their combined operating costs for fiscal 1969 were almost \$34 million-\$21,109,-935 for Radio Free Europe and \$12,837,-401 for Radio Liberty.

Under the auspices of the Advertising Council, Radio Free Europe conducts a yearly, multimedia "advertising" cam-

paign.

I have been advised that between \$12 million and \$20 million in free media space is donated annually to this campaign while the return from the public is apparently less than \$100,000. Additionally, both Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty attempt to raise money from corporations and foundations, but contributions from these sources reportedly pay only a small part of their total budgets.

The bulk of Radio Free Europe's and Radio Liberty's budgets, or more than \$30 million annually, comes from direct CIA subsidies. Congress has never participated in authorization or appropriatous of funds to Radio Free Europe or Radio Liberty, although hundreds of millions of dollars in Government funds have been

spent during the last 20 years.

I can understand why covert funds might have been used for a year or two in an emergency situation when extreme secrecy was necessary and when no other Government funds were available. But the justification for covert funding has lessened over the years as international tension has eased, as the secrecy surrounding these radio stations has melted away, and as more open means of funding could have been developed. In other words, the extraordinary circumstances that might have been thought to justify circumvention of constitutional processes and congressional approval no longer

In fact, after disclosure in 1967 of CJA funding of the National Student Association, a Presidential committee made up of John Gardner, then Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, Richard Helms, then and now Director of CIA, and Nicholas Katzenbach, then Under Secretary of State, recommended that "no Federal agency shall provide covert financial assistance or support, direct or indirect, to any of the Nation's educational or voluntary organizations"-and that "no programs currently would justify any exception to this policy." On March 29, 1967, President Johnson accepted the committee's recommendations and directed they be implemented by all Federal agencies.

Legislation similar to my proposal will shortly be introduced in the House of Representatives by Congressman Ognen R. REID of New York.

I ask unanimous consent to have the bill printed at this point in the RECORD.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The bill will be received and appropriately referred; and, without objection, the bill will be printed in the RECORD.

The bill (S. 18) to amend the U.S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948 to provide assistance to Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, introduced by Mr. Case, was received, read twice by its title, referred to the Com-

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Radio Free Europe Now In CM Sphere, Case Warns

By PETER J. KUMPA

Washington Bureau of The Sun Washington, Jan. 23-Senator Clifford P. Case (R., N.J.) announced today that he will introduce legislation Monday to provide for open congressional financing of Radio Free Europe

and Radio Liberty,

Mr. Case explained that, if approved, the legislation would remove the stations from the need for secret funds from the Central Intelligence Agency, He said that in the last fiscal year, the CIA provided a direct sub-sidy of \$30 million to the stations which broadcast to the Soviet Union and five Eastern European Communist countries.

Although both Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty claim to be non-governmental organizations sponsored by private contributions, the senator said that "available sources" indicate the CIA pays almost all their costs.

Produces Tax Returns

He produced ligures from returns filed with the Internal Revenue Service showing that the combined operating costs for the stations in fiscal 1969 was almost \$34 million (\$21,109,935 for Radio Free Europe and \$12,-887,401 for Radio Liberty).

Though a national advertising campaign under the auspices of the Advertising Council uses somewhere between \$12 and \$20 million in free media space to solicit contributions for the stations, Mr. Case said, returns from the public amount to less than \$100,000

The stations raise the rest of their budgets from corporate and foundation contributions, he

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Radio Free Europe, started in 1959, broadcasts to Bulgaria, Hungary, Poland, Czechoslovalia and Pomosics valia and Romania. Radio
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concentrates only on the Soviet
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The senator was not critical of the work of the stations, both which have their main offices and studios in Munich, Germany. His legislation, in fact, would authorie \$30 million for continuation of their work. He simply wants Congress to supervise the spending of tax payers mency.

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Case Would Bar C.I.A. Aid For Radio Free Europe

By BENJAMIN WELLES

Special to The New York Times

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23.— National Security Council. How Senator Clifford P. Case, Republican of New Jersey, charged today that the Central Intelligence Agency had spent several The Central Intelligence Inundred million dollars over the Agency and Radio Free Europe Last 20 years to bean Pedio Free Last to the Agency and Radio Free Europe Last 20 years to bean Pedio Free Last declined to comment to-

Appropriations and Foreign Relations Committees, said that two stations has, however, Mr. Case, a member of the availing. he would introduce legislation been an open secret for years, although the C.I.A., in accord-Monday to bring Government ance with standing policy, and ance with standing policy, and spending on the two stations the two stations that consistently refused to discuss either their operations propriations process of Con-discuss either their operations Reid, Republican of Westches-Internal Revenue Service in the ter, said today that he would 1969 fiscal year, Mr. Case said introduce similar logislation in that the stations' combined the House.

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however, or their funding.

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technicians and refugees from ion annually, comes from direct C.I.A. subsidies," Mr. Case charged. "Congress has never participated in authorization of dio Free Europe to other East-ern European countries except drdes of millions of dollars in Government funds have been 1967, after there had been pub-

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Senator Case said that his proposed legislation would seek tional or voluntary organiza-to amend the United States In-tions" and that "no programs costs."

The Senator said that the Central Intelligence Agency provided the stations with \$30-in million in the last fiscal year without formal Congressional approval.

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and when no other Government the sources said. funds were available," Mr. Case

But, he went on, the justification for covert funding has lessened over the years as in-ternational tension has eased, as the secrecy surrounding the stations has 'melted away," and

as more open means of funding could be developed.

"In other words," he said, "the extraordinary circumstances that might have been thought to justify circumvention of constitutional processes. tion of constitutional processes and Congressional approval no longer exist."

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Mr. Case pointed out that in lic disclosure that the C.I.A. had been secretly funding the National Student Association, President Johnson created a committee that was headed by Nicholas de B. Katzenbach, the Under Secretary of State, and that included Richard Helms, head of the C.I.A., and John W. Gardner, the Secretary Health, Education and Welfare.

He further noted that on March 29, 1967, Mr. Johnson publicly accepted the com-mittee's recommendation that "no Federal agency shall provide covert financial assistance or support, direct or indirect, to any of the nation's educa-

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